



# Delaware Military Academy

October 2, 2017

Good afternoon, Seahawk Nation,

Ahhhhh... Back to uniforms! DMA had a phenomenal Spirit Week, Pep Rally and Homecoming Dance. Congratulations to our Homecoming King and Queen **Zach Love and Lauren Freebery**. They were met with a raucous ovation of somewhere in the neighborhood of 600 teenagers. The ringing in my ears is finally subsiding. So, what did you guys all do Saturday night?? Lol...

Here is your weekly update:

- ❖ The finishing touches are being completed in the Dome. One of them being several coats of varnish to the gym floor. The varnish has a strong odor, so, as we did Friday, we will move the cadets out of that wing – as needed - until the smell dissipates. It is a minor inconvenience, but we live by the motto of “Adapt and Overcome,” so not an issue.



- ❖ All cadets received their interim reports on Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. If you have not yet reviewed the interim report, please do so as soon as possible. If your cadet is struggling in class, please email their teacher and set up an appointment for Thursday night. We will be holding parent conferences on Thursday evening from 5:00 - 8:00 pm. All conferences are by appointment only and are being scheduled directly with the teacher.
- ❖ Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> is PSAT Day at DMA and will not be a typical school day. All freshman will take the PSAT 8/9, and juniors who registered for it will take the PSAT/NMSQT. These cadets should report at the normal time on October 11<sup>th</sup>. Busses will run in the morning and dismissal time is 11:00am. Lunches will not be served, but cadets may bring a bottle of water and snack. Cadets should get a good night's sleep Tuesday, and eat breakfast the morning of the assessment. All testers may wear PT gear and should bring two sharpened #2-pencils and a four-function, scientific or graphing calculator. Calculators that access the internet are not permitted. Cadets are not allowed to share calculators with each other, and teachers might not have calculators to lend. Please encourage your cadet to try their best on the PSAT, as it is an indicator for how s/he may perform in the future on the SAT and provides valuable data about the areas in which cadets should look to improve their skills. For those interested, sophomores will take the PSAT 10 during the third marking period, and all juniors will take the SAT on a school-day in April. More information will be disseminated as we get closer to these test administrations. ***Sophomores, Seniors, and Juniors not taking the PSAT will NOT be attending school on October 11.***

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## ❖ CADETS IN THE :

- Congratulations to the following cadets who will be recognized by the Wilmington City Council on October 19th for their for their dedication and commitment to community service. They are: ***Jasmine Crespo, Mathew Deputy, Angelina Frase, Allison Handlin, Emily Jones, Joshua Levan, Paige Lynch, Ayana Rodriguez, Giovanna Sparagna and Madison Williams.*** Well done cadets! You exemplify “Citizenship,” one of our three core ships.
- Congratulations to ***Nicky Barry, Owen Brinker, Maria Casares, Justin Malone, Tommy Mauk, Brian Ashby, and Sean Osborne*** who raised over \$2300.00 for their help in the Hurricane Relief Charity Car Show two Sundays ago. The cadets worked in conjunction with Prestige Motor Sports, Porsche of Delaware, Smith Volkswagen, Audi of Wilmington and Valle/Reno’s Ice Cream. 100% of the funds received will directly benefit the relief efforts. Bravo Zulu!



- ❖ From the desk of the Senior NSI . This weekend 35 cadets will be participating in a Leadership Camping trip. We will travel to Roosevelt Boy Scout Camp in New Jersey. The cadets will participate on a rappel tower, zip line, rifle range and a compass course. The weekend is designed for cadets to interact with each other and build camaraderie. It will be a great experience for all.
- ❖ Reminder! Cadets are not allowed to use cell phones during school. If they feel ill, they must see the nurse, who will make the phone call home. Cadets will receive disciplinary action if a parent calls or picks up their cadet, because they called without seeing the nurse first.



- ❖ Report: The 2017 Homecoming weekend was a big success. Our sports teams did well, and fun was had by all at the dance. Thank you to Stacy Wenner and all the parent and staff volunteers that made the night special for the cadets.
  - The Football Team and Cheerleaders extended their winning streak with a 42-7 win over St. E’s. The team is now 4-0 and take on Hodgson Vo-Tech Saturday at 2:00pm at Hodgson.

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- Cross Country will compete in the Salesianum Invitational this Saturday at Brandywine Creek State Park. Good luck.
- Field Hockey has won four in a row and is now 4-3 so far this season. The highlight of the week was defeating DSAC opponent Newark Charter 1-0! They have a big game against Conrad on Tuesday at the Hockessin Montessori School. Good luck ladies!
- The Soccer Team is now 4-1-1 and have a big conference game on Wednesday at Wilmington Charter. Good luck boys!
- Volleyball is now 1-3 with two big games this week. They take on St. Marks on Tuesday followed by Ursuline on Friday. Good luck ladies!

That will do it for this week's report. We hope you have a great week and please continue to support DMA, our cadets and our mission anyway you can!

Kind Regards,

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